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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JUNE 16, 2005

The following is provided in response to the Office action mailed June 16, 2005.

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

Declarations

Enclosed herewith is a revised declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 of Mr. Uhlaz Warrier that includes the inadvertently omitted redacted Intel invention disclosure referenced in Section 3 of the declaration. Also enclosed is a declaration of the co-inventor Prakash Iyer.

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It is respectfully submitted that the declarations in combination with the invention disclosure, which is dated as of October 6, 1999 and which bears a RECEIVED stamp dated October 11, 1999, provide a prima facie showing that the Applicants were in possession of the claimed subject matter prior to the filing date of Harrison.

Moreover, after conception, and prior to January 12, 2000, Applicants worked diligently with patent attorneys who were members of Fish & Richardson P.C. to prepare a patent application that described the conceived invention. After this diligent preparation work, the above-referenced application was filed on March 31, 2000.

35 USC § 102 / § 103

Claims 1, 7, 9, 10, 13, and 17 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102(e) as being allegedly anticipated by Harrison. Claims 21, 22, and 23 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Naveh in view of Harrison. Claims 2, 3, 5, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 25, 26, 28, 29, and 30-32 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Harrison in further view of Naveh.

It is respectfully submitted that Harrison is no longer an effective reference under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and 35 USC 103(a).

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Therefore, the rejections under 35 USC § 102 and 35 USC § 103 should be withdrawn.

Moreover, the claimed subject matter and Harrison do not comprise the same patentable invention as defined by 37 CFR § 1.601. Harrison fails to disclose, inter alia, "regulating activities in the system based on both of the security policies and a context of said at least one application program including at least a state of running of said at least one application program" as recited in claim 1. Harrison also fails to disclose similar features recited in claims 9 and 17.

The "traffic profile" of Harrison is cited as disclosing "context of at least one application program." However, it is respectfully submitted that Harrison fails to support such an interpretation.

Harrison on col. 4, lines 34-36 recites: "The traffic profile defines the type of network traffic for which the action should be performed."

Harrison on col. 4, lines 65-67 recites: "The traffic profile component definition is unique to the policy as it contains device specific IP address information."

Harrison on col. 6, lines 19-24 recites: "A device interface profile contains the device specific information such as IP addresses needed to generate the traffic profile and IPsec

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data management actions to generate the traffic profile and IPsec data management action components for the policy segment."

Harrison on col. 6, lines 36-48 recites: The condition reference includes a validity period and a traffic profile template. A traffic profile template contains all the attributes of a traffic profile with the exception of device specific information such as IP addresses. The action reference includes at least one of the following: an IPsec action, a Differential Services action and an RSVP action. IPsec actions are further composed of a key management action and a data management action template. A data management action template contains all the attributes of a data management action with the exception of device specific information such as IP addresses. The device specific information for the traffic profile and data management action will be obtained from device interface profiles".

Harrison on col. 7, lines 11-15 recites: "Names will be generated for policies, traffic profiles and IPsec data management actions as follows:

<segment-name>+<id>+<generation-order-number>

where "id" is P for Policy, T for Traffic Profile and S for IPsec data management action.

When a policy segment is regenerated, all existing policies and generated references for the policy segment are first

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deleted. FIG. 6 illustrates the generation of a specific device policy."

As demonstrated from the cited passages, Harrison fails to disclose or otherwise suggest regulating activities in the system based on a context of an application program including at least a state of running of the application program. Rather, the traffic profile of Harrison discloses a mechanism that contains device specific IP address information for determining which for which type of network traffic an action should be performed.

Accordingly, all of the current claims should be allowable.

Concluding Comments

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed in this paper. However, failure to address a specific rejection, issue or comment, does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above are not intended to be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any

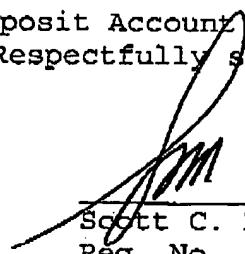
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claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be allowed. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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